



Louisiana Crop Weather Summary

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CROP INFORMATION

Days suitable for fieldwork: 2.4

Soil moisture supplies: 1% very short, 7% short, 58% adequate and 34% surplus

Field Crops Report

Rain continued to fall across most of the state. Harvest of field crops was slowed by the rain. Sugarcane producers continued to plant in dry areas and prepared for harvest.

Fruits, Vegetables and Specialty Crops

Vegetable producers continued to plant fall crops. Citrus producers scouted for insects and prepared for the satsuma harvest. Sweet potato producers were concerned about the risk of spoilage in flooded fields. Crawfish producers remained busy flooding ponds.

Livestock, Pasture and Range Report

Cattlemen continued to harvest hay and planted ryegrass for winter forages.

PERCENT OF PROGRESS					
CROP	STAGE	Current Week	Last Week	2008	5 YR AVG
Corn	Harvested	99	97	93	98
Cotton	Bolls Opening	86	81	91	91
	Harvested	5	4	9	17
Hay	Second Cutting	95	91	93	97
Rice	Ripe	100	99	100	100
	Harvested	87	86	80	91
Sorghum	Harvested	96	94	89	96
Soybeans	Turning Color	89	81	79	87
	Dropping Leaves	73	61	70	77
	Harvested	49	40	40	54
Sweet Potatoes	Harvested	16	11	18	22
Sugarcane	Planted	89	82	41	78
CONDITIONS IN PERCENTAGES					
ITEM	VERY POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT
Cotton	1	11	36	48	4
Soybeans	2	21	40	33	4
Sugarcane	2	10	30	43	15
Livestock	0	4	45	46	5
Vegetables	1	17	46	34	2
Pasture	2	9	46	37	6

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LOUISIANA WEATHER SUMMARY FROM 09/14/09 TO 09/20/09

	AIR				PRECIPITATION			
	TEMPERATURE				WEEKLY	FOUR	YR. TO	
	MAX	MIN	AVG	NRM	TOTAL	WEEKS	DATE	NORM
1. Northwest								
LSU-Bossier City	88	70	78	76	1.65	3.37	39.47	36.59
Minden	87	70	76	75	3.63	5.94	41.73	39.55
Mooringsport	82	69	76	MM	2.58	6.84	44.04	32.98
Extreme/Average	88	69	77	76	2.62	5.38	41.75	37.52
2. North-Central								
LSU-Calhoun	89	70	78	76	4.61	7.60	35.93	40.00
Homer/Hill Farm	84	69	75	75	7.26	10.61	42.35	39.83
ULM-Monroe	90	70	78	76	7.30	9.85	37.90	41.52
Columbia Lock	90	70	78	MM	1.33	4.11	36.41	43.20
Extreme/Average	90	69	77	76	5.13	8.04	38.15	40.84
3. Northeast								
Lake Providence	86	70	77	76	2.23	3.39	38.45	42.38
LSU-St Joseph	88	71	79	77	0.89	1.49	33.71	41.32
LSU-Winnnsboro	90	71	79	76	2.40	5.35	39.16	40.61
Tallulah	88	71	77	75	2.36	3.12	41.79	42.50
Extreme/Average	90	70	78	76	1.97	2.67	37.98	41.62
4. West-Central								
Leesville	90	67	76	76	1.14	3.39	32.11	41.24
LSU-Rosepine	89	66	76	77	1.06	2.75	31.61	42.23
Natchitoches	(92)	72	80	77	1.79	4.65	35.97	39.17
Extreme/Average	92	(66)	77	76	1.33	3.60	33.23	40.17
5. Central								
Alexandria	89	71	79	78	0.57	2.01	33.77	43.11
Brusly	92	69	79	77	1.31	4.05	32.57	47.49
Bunkie	90	70	79	77	1.63	3.46	36.80	44.38
LSU-Alexandria	89	69	79	77	0.25	1.95	35.00	41.83
Extreme/Average	92	69	79	77	0.94	2.87	34.79	43.74
6. East-Central								
Franklinton 5SW	90	69	79	MM	0.95	5.89	40.15	MM.MM
LSU-Baton Rouge	89	70	79	78	0.58	4.55	32.88	46.55
LSU-Clinton	MM	MM	MM	76	M.MM	2.10	28.73	47.10
LSU-Hammond	90	69	79	77	0.21	3.97	27.95	48.99
Slidell	88	70	81	78	1.27	8.38	37.77	48.27
Extreme/Average	90	69	79	78	0.75	5.70	34.69	48.81
7. Southwest								
DeRidder	90	69	78	77	1.42	5.89	37.97	43.76
Jennings	88	70	79	78	0.77	3.84	35.77	44.01
LSU-Crowley	88	70	79	78	1.18	3.84	40.01	44.41
Extreme/Average	90	69	78	78	1.12	4.52	37.92	44.93
8. South-Central								
Donaldsonville	89	71	79	78	1.70	7.62	42.26	46.77
LSU-Jeanerette	88	70	80	77	3.15	8.58	47.55	47.38
Morgan City	86	72	79	78	0.98	3.00	32.88	49.95
Extreme/Average	89	70	79	78	1.94	6.40	40.90	47.83
9. Southeast								
Galliano	88	74	81	78	0.74	9.19	41.20	51.29
Houma	MM	MM	MM	79	M.MM	2.47	27.94	49.82
Terrytown 3S	92	74	82	MM	1.12	8.72	47.25	MM.MM
Reserve	MM	MM	MM	78	M.MM	M.MM	10.08	50.23
Extreme/Average	92	74	82	79	0.93	8.96	44.23	49.56

State

State Averages 92 66 79 77 1.81 5.35 38.05 44.13
M = Missing () = Extremes Yr. To Date = Through September 20, 2009

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